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This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Standards, Viability, and Removal Plan for Conversion of Certain Public Housing to Tenant-Based Section 8 Vouchers and Certificates.

OMB Control Number: 2577-0210.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: To implement Section 202 of the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996, (Pub. L. 104-134, approved April 26, 1996), Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) will identify certain distressed public housing developments that will be required to be converted to that their households in occupancy can be given tenant-based assistance or relocated. PHAs will be required to submit a Viability Plan, tenant-based assistance plan and a plan to remove units from the public housing inventory to HUD. PHAs will conduct an annual review and certify that their Comprehensive Plan Annual Updates that they have reviewed updated information regarding the applicability of the standards on their developments. HUD will review and evaluate the information to ensure compliance with the statutory criteria (standards), that plans have been developed in consultation with the residents, timeframes met and Section 202 is implemented.

Member of affected public: State or Local Government (PHAs).

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: 50 respondents, one-time response, nine hours average per response, 21,645 total reporting burden hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Reinstatement.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

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Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comments

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due: May 27, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, S.W., Room 4238, Washington, D.C. 20410-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-3642, extension 4128, for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information

technology; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Public Housing Agencies Plan for Exception Request, Site-Based Waiting Lists.

OMB Control Number: 2577-0214.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Each Public Housing Agency (PHA) may request an exception to establish site-based waiting lists by submitting its plan and the rationale for it to the local HUD office. The plan must include all of the PHA's general occupancy developments and/or all of the PHA's mixed-population and elderly-designated developments. The request must also include: Accurate statistics for the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and the PHA's jurisdiction; each development's name, number, occupancy type and number of units, date site was developed, racial composition by bedroom size and waiting list composition. For the Section 8 program: the number of certificates and vouchers currently in use by race and bedroom size; and the length and composition of the waiting list by race and bedroom size. PHA's must provide current and proposed public housing tenant selection and assignment procedures along with any Consent Decrees, Voluntary Compliance Agreements, or other documentation related to current occupancy problems along with measures being taken to correct such problems. HUD needs the information to assure statutory and regulatory compliance and to approve the PHA's plan for exception to establish site-based waiting lists.

Agency Form Numbers, if applicable: None.

Members of affected public: PHAs.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: An average 52 respondents submit the plan one-time, for a total burden of 3,744 hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

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